

1 **ABSTRACT**

2 Systems and methods are described for a speech system that includes one or
3 more speech controls incorporated into one or more speech-enabled applications
4 that run on the speech system. The controls allow applications to be developed
5 with minimal programming effort to incorporate common speech-enabled
6 application functions. A question control provides a customizable template for
7 requesting information from a user. An announcer control allows a speech-
8 enabled application to provide a user with information without having to re-create
9 an entire announcer process each time it is used. A command control provides a
10 simple way to attach command and control functions to speech-enabled
11 applications. A word trainer control provides a way to associate user-selected
12 voice tags with certain information. Providing the controls for use with speech-
13 enabled applications ensures standardized user interfaces across multiple speech-
14 enabled applications.